

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1487

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of State, to establish a program to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business Travel Cards, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Asia-Pacific Economic
3 Cooperation Business Travel Cards Act of 2011”.

4 **SEC. 2. ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION BUSINESS**
5 **TRAVEL CARDS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—During the 7-year period ending
7 on September 30, 2018, the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
8 rity, in coordination with the Secretary of State, is author-
9 ized to issue Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Business
10 Travel Cards (referred to in this section as “ABT Cards”)
11 to any eligible person, including business leaders and
12 United States Government officials who are actively en-
13 gaged in Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation business. An
14 individual may not receive an ABT Card under this sec-
15 tion unless the individual has been approved and is in good
16 standing in an international trusted traveler program of
17 the Department of Homeland Security.

18 (b) INTEGRATION WITH EXISTING TRAVEL PRO-
19 GRAMS.—The Secretary of Homeland Security may inte-
20 grate application procedures for, and issuance, suspension,
21 and revocation of, ABT Cards with other appropriate
22 international trusted traveler programs of the Department
23 of Homeland Security.

24 (c) COOPERATION WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES.—In
25 carrying out this section, the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
26 rity may consult with appropriate private sector entities.

1 (d) RULEMAKING.—The Secretary of Homeland Se-
2 curity, in coordination with the Secretary of State, may
3 prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry
4 out this section, including regulations regarding conditions
5 of or limitations on eligibility for an ABT Card.

6 (e) FEE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland
8 Security may—

9 (A) prescribe and collect a fee for the
10 issuance of ABT Cards; and

11 (B) adjust such fee to the extent the Sec-
12 retary determines to be necessary to comply
13 with paragraph (2).

14 (2) LIMITATION.—The Secretary of Homeland
15 Security shall ensure that the total amount of the
16 fees collected under paragraph (1) during any fiscal
17 year is sufficient to offset the direct and indirect
18 costs associated with carrying out this section during
19 such fiscal year, including the costs associated with
20 establishing the program.

21 (3) ACCOUNT FOR COLLECTIONS.—There is es-
22 tablished in the Treasury of the United States an
23 “APEC Business Travel Card Account” into which
24 the fees collected under paragraph (1) shall be de-
25 posited as offsetting receipts.

1 (4) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts deposited into
2 the APEC Business Travel Card Account—

3 (A) shall be credited to the appropriate ac-
4 count of the Department of Homeland Security
5 for expenses incurred in carrying out this sec-
6 tion; and

7 (B) shall remain available until expended.

8 (f) TERMINATION OF PROGRAM.—The Secretary of
9 Homeland Security, in coordination with the Secretary of
10 State, may terminate activities under this section if the
11 Secretary of Homeland Security determines such action
12 to be in the interest of the United States.

Passed the Senate November 3, 2011.

Attest:

Secretary.

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